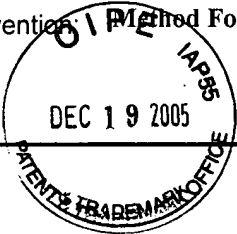

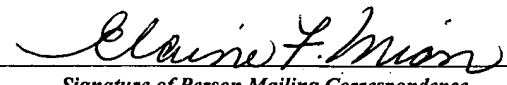
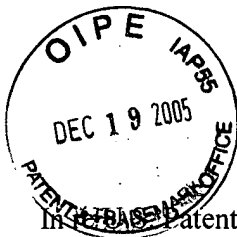


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This paper is herewith filed as part of a Request for Continued Examination and in response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 11, 2005, for the above-captioned U.S. Patent Application. As such, no petition for an extension of time or extension of time fee is believed to be due, as this response is herewith filed within the shortened statutory period. It is believed that an excess claims fee of \$ 250 for a net gain of five dependent claims is due. However, should the undersigned attorney be mistaken, please consider this a petition for any extension of time that may be required to maintain the pendency of this Patent Application, and charge deposit account no.: 09-0466 for any required fee deficiency.

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